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Dear Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Office action dated October 26, 2004, having a shortened statutory period expiring December 26, 2004. Further examination and reconsideration are respectfully requested in view of the amendments and remarks set forth below.